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8.50 p.m., 9.00 p.m., 9.20 p.m.
9.30 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. every 30 minutes
11.15 p.m. to 11.45 p.m. every 15 minutes
SATURDAY.
Extra Car—12 midnight.
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7.30 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. every 15 minutes
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**COMPANY REPORT.
CHINESE ENGINEERING AND
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Following is an extract from the report of the Directors submitted at the annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Chinese Engineering and Mining Co., Ltd., held in London on December 11th:—

The net result of the transactions of the year, ended June 30th, 1922, shows a balance to the credit of profit and loss account of £38,130, made up as follows:—

Proportion of Kailan Mining Administration's profits, plus China interest	£332,295
Interest in Europe	25,735
Profit on sales of Government stock	10,803
Agency fees	8,000
Sundry receipts	333
Balance brought forward (after deducting £1,752 sundry items)	19,988
Total	£415,136

DEDUCT:

Expenses in Europe	£ 16,613
Directors' fees	4,200
Exchange	19,869
Income-tax	155,344
Corporation profits-tax	21,300
Interim dividend paid 15th May, 1922	140,000
	357,026

Leaving a net balance of £58,110

which the Directors recommend should be appropriated as follows:—

Final dividend 34% (free of income-tax)	£49,000
Directors' percentage	1,919
Expenses in connection with increase of capital	1,351
Balance carried forward	5,980
	£58,110

**PRESIDENT OF N.Y.K. ON SHIPPING CONDITIONS.
SPEECH AT RECENT MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS.**

Mr. Yonejiro Ito, President of the N.Y.K., in recommending the adoption of the Directors' report at a meeting of the shareholders, said that shipping continues to suffer from extreme depression, all the world over. The N.Y.K. was no exception, the net profit for the half-year ending the 30th September last being ¥2,790,000 odd, showing a small increase of ¥187,000 over that of the previous term, but a decrease of ¥540,000 as compared with that of the corresponding term last year. With regard to the cargo traffic, it was comparatively ample on the European, Australian, New York (via Panama) and the coasting services, showing some increase in quantity over each of the two previous terms, but, in consequence of the demoralization in freight rates, the actual earnings showed a decrease. On the other hand, the Company had made some strides in the passenger business, owing to the steamers with larger passenger accommodation having been placed on the European mail line, the increase of emigrant passengers on the South American line, a large number of passengers being carried on the near seas services. The earnings thus totalled six million yen. But, owing to the dwindling of freight earnings, the total earnings resulted in a decrease, and it is due simply to the strict enforcement of retrenchment of expenses that the Company was able to report an increase in the net profit to the extent of ¥187,000 over the previous term.

Concerning the present position of the world's freight market, the President said that, though apparently stationary, there was an indication of a further downward tendency, due, needless to say, to the excess of tonnage supply over the actual requirements. After demonstrating this inference by statistical facts, the President said that it was no wonder that the majority of shipowners all the world over, were far from making any profit. In such circumstances, it was very fortunate for the Directors to be able to submit a report to the shareholders showing a net profit, extending that for the previous term. The attainment of such a result was the reward of the strict enforcement of retrenchment, and he emphasized that it was in great measure due to the efficiency and arduous work of the staff, both ashore and afloat. By adding to this net profit a portion of the dividend equalization fund, he was glad to be able once more to recommend a dividend of 15 per cent.

In conclusion, the President remarked that in the face of the almost mortal wound inflicted on the world's commerce and industry by the Great War, the continuance of the lack of perfect international relations, the prevalence of undesirable thoughts, the frequency of industrial disputes, etc., it was extremely difficult for him to predict the time when we will witness a recovery to normal conditions. "But," he said, "the recovery is bound to come, sooner or later, and we need not be unduly pessimistic."

THEATRE ROYAL

The last two performances of the Chevalo-Palermo Co. will be given to-day at 5 p.m. and at 9.15 p.m. The matinee is for children, who will be admitted at half-price to all parts of the house. They are assured of a merry afternoon for Mr. Chevalo adds a finishing touch of humour to all his performances. At night, the Packing-case Mystery, Sawing through a Woman, etc., will be shown.

**TWO CHINESE CHARGED WITH ROBBERY.
ONE SENTENCED TO THREE MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT.**

Two Chinese were charged before Mr. Wood at the Magistracy, yesterday, with stealing a box and a bag from No. 53, Sai Wan Ho on the 13th inst.

Inspector Earner, prosecuting, said that the robbery took place between 7 and 10 a.m. two days ago; the defendants were arrested yesterday.

The first defendant, when asked to plead, admitted the robbery, but the second defendant denied all knowledge. The box, which was found in his possession, was handed to him by the first defendant to keep while the first defendant went to the country.

According to a statement made by the first defendant after his arrest, he went to the house at the request of the second defendant. He stood on the stairs while the second man went up stairs and forced open the door. The second man then ordered him to carry away the box.

Mr. Wood ordered the first defendant to be sent to prison for three months, but remanded the second defendant until to-day when the convicted man will be called as a police witness. The case of the second defendant will come before Mr. Lindsell for hearing.

FAMILY TROUBLES.

A WINDOW-SMASHING CAMPAIGN.

Two brothers named Kwok Ping Lau and Kwok Ping Woon were charged before Mr. Wood at the Magistracy, yesterday, with maliciously smashing 48 panes of glass of a house, at No. 12, Queen's Road West. The complainant in the case was Kwok Ling Lee, aged 75 years, an uncle to the two defendants.

Mr. Haywood appeared for the complainant and Mr. M. K. Lo for the defendants.

Mr. Lo announced that a letter had been written to the complainant's solicitor, offering a full apology and undertaking to repair the damage caused. Under these circumstances he understood that the complainant did not wish to proceed with the case.

Continuing, Mr. Lo said that there had been friction in the family for some time, and this came to a head when the complainant bought for a "high price" the house which was part of a family estate. The defendants, who were living in the house, had to leave, and in the heat of the moment they smashed some of the windows. They were now sorry for what they had done. They did not, however, break all the panes; some of these were broken by coolies when the furniture was being removed.

His Worship agreed to the summons being withdrawn.

**ALL HIS LIFE IN GAOL.
A LOCAL CRIMINAL WITH 23 CONVICTIONS.**

A Chinese was convicted for the 24th time at the Magistracy, yesterday. He was released from gaol in October last, after doing three years for burglary. He was arrested on Thursday in an earthenware shop in possession of a bunch of skeleton keys. When he was caught he was in the act of collecting together a quantity of the shop's stores. He was found guilty of unlawfully having in his possession the bunch of keys.

Asked if anything was known about him Inspector Caygill handed to the Magistrate (Mr. Lindsell) a long list of convictions, which gave a complete record of the man's terms of imprisonment. "He has been convicted 23 times," explained the Inspector as he handed up the list.

To the defendant his Worship said: Why, you have spent the whole of your life in gaol!

The man admitted that he had just come out of gaol.

The Magistrate (to the Inspector): How did he manage to get out?—He finished his time.

How is it he has not been banished?—Locally born, your Worship.

The Magistrate: The most you can have under this charge is three months, and that you will get.

RENTS ORDINANCE SUMMONS.

ALLEGED "MALA FIDES" CASE SETTLED OUT OF COURT.

The case in which a landlord named Yee Hok, was summoned before Mr. Wood, at the Magistracy, some time ago, for alleged mala fides, in that he induced a tenant of his to leave a domestic tenement in Kiu Sai Lane by sending him a notice, purporting this to be in accordance with the law, was again mentioned in Court yesterday.

Mr. F. G. Vaux, who appeared for the complainant, applied for the summons to be withdrawn as well as nine others which had not been heard.

The case in question was adjourned sine die at the last hearing, the Magistrate then suggesting that the parties should come to a settlement out of Court by defendant paying compensation.

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POLICE RAID FOREIGN SERVANTS' ASSOCIATION. GUILD QUARTERS CLOSED DOWN.

Following upon a proclamation issued yesterday declaring the Foreign Servants' Association, which includes the Bakers' Guild, to be an unlawful society the Police in the afternoon raided the Association's premises on the top floor of No. 139, Des Vaux Road Central, and after examining a number of Chinese who were there, ordered the place to be closed down. A few Chinese, apparently officials, were allowed to remain on the premises to take charge of the furniture and fittings. These have to be cleared out by Monday next and the floor vacated. The police made no arrests.

The raid caused quite a lot of excitement in the street and from shortly after 3 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. a large number of Chinese collected in the street below, watching anxiously for any movements on the top floor verandah. Nobody appeared on the verandah during the raid with the exception of a Chinese detective who was ordered to haul in the Association flag. The Chinese appeared to take this coolly and there was some laughter from the crowd in the street.

Mr. Perdue (Assistant Director of Criminal Intelligence) conducted the raid, and he was assisted by Chief Inspector Morrison and a staff of European and Chinese detectives. The appearance of the police on the top floor caused some alarm amongst those on the floor at the time. The Association officials were informed of the object of the visitation and the police then conducted a very thorough search of the quarters. The safe was opened and a very careful examination was made of the contents, but nothing of an incriminating nature was found. All the accounting books and documents were next examined and most of these were collected together and tied in bundles ready for moving to the Police Station. The flag was used to carry some of the matter thus collected. This property, the police said, would be returned to the officials in a few days if they cared to collect same at the Central Station.

The persons found on the premises were then examined and searched and as each one passed through the hands of the police he was told to take his belongings and to leave the place. As these Chinese came down the stairs, one by one, into the street, they were accosted by many people, who were filled with curiosity as to what was taking place upstairs. Directly the search was completed on one of the mirrors in the room, and the few officials remaining on the premises were given strict orders to have the furniture and fittings removed by Monday next. The police left the premises after being there for a little over two hours, and by the time they made their appearance in the street the crowd had practically dwindled away.

Curiously enough the Foreign Servants' Association is situated next door to the Chinese Seamen's Union, which was declared an illegal society during the recent big seamen's strike but which was allowed to be re-opened shortly after the strike was settled. The Foreign Servants' Association has a large sign-board in English affixed to the top floor verandah and this the Police ordered to be removed.

THE PROCLAMATION.

The proclamation issued yesterday by H.E. the Governor said: "Whereas it has been made to appear to me with the advice of the Executive Council of the Colony of Hongkong that the society known as the Hip Tsun Tsung Kung She is being used and is likely to be used for purposes incompatible with the peace and good order of the Colony, now therefor, I, Sir Reginald Edward Stubbs, by virtue of the said Executive Council do hereby declare the society to be an unlawful society."

HONGKONG HOCKEY CLUB. PROPOSED "ARMY, NAVY AND H.K.H.C. LEAGUE."

A general meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Club was held at the Pavilion of Hongkong Cricket Club yesterday evening. Mr. B. D. Evans, presiding, supported by the secretary (Mr. L. R. Blacking) and Messrs. G. H. Piercy and E. J. R. Mitchell.

The accounts were presented for the past year, and showed a balance in the bank of \$211.35 including \$181.40, which had been carried forward.

A letter was received from the Army Hockey Association suggesting the formation of a triangular league between the Hongkong Hockey Club, the Navy, and the Army, and further proposing that they should club together for a trophy.

Mr. Mitchell said he thought such a league would be good for hockey in the Colony, but instead of a cup or any similar trophy, he suggested that the Club should propose a shield, on which the names of winners could be inscribed each year. Mr. Mitchell put his suggestions in proposition form, and on Mr. Blacking seconding it, the motion was agreed to.

It was further decided to incorporate a suggestion that the matches should be played on the United Services Recreation Club ground, as that would be neutral. It was decided to invite Mr. F. C. Miller to take over the hon. secretaryship during Mr. Blacking's absence.

INTIMIDATOR SENT TO PRISON. DEMANDING MONEY FROM A SINGING GIRL.

Three Chinese were charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Magistracy, yesterday afternoon, with demanding \$250 with menace from a singing girl.

Inspector Appleton, who prosecuted, told the Magistrate that the complainant was a singing girl. On the 5th inst., she received a letter, produced in Court, demanding \$250. On the 7th inst., whilst she was in the Foo Lan tea house she was accosted by the first defendant. The other two defendants were near by. One of these two men came along and asked what was the matter. The first defendant then said "Have you received my letter? What have you got to say?" On the next morning the girl went to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs and there reported that she had received a threatening letter. In consequence of this Inspector Appleton ordered three street watchmen to keep watch on the complainant's house. The same night they shadowed the girl to the Foo Lan tea house. About 10 p.m. the three defendants were seen coming out of Chung Sau Street West. They followed the girl directly she left the tea house. They in turn were shadowed by the three district watchmen. The girl became frightened and ran into the Sam Yuen tea house, near the old Central Fire Station. The defendants posted themselves in various positions round the tea shop. When the girl finally left the premises to return to her home in Sai Street the defendants again followed her. At Tung Street the watchmen asked the defendant what they were doing. Receiving no reasonable explanation as to their conduct they arrested them. The girl at the same time identified them as the men who had spoken to her in the tea house. Evidence was then taken bearing out Inspector Appleton's story, and the first defendant was sentenced to four months' hard labour. The second and third defendants were discharged.

SONGS OF OLD ENGLAND. AT THE HELENA MAY INSTITUTE.

A vocal recital of old English music was given to the children at the Helena May Institute by Miss Jean Lawson yesterday afternoon, and very much enjoyed by a fair attendance of children and their parents. Miss Lawson's programme consisted of such old favourites as "The Year of Bray," "Where the bee sucks," and "Come-lads of old England," songs which took one back in thought to the sweet smelling meadows of the Old Country, its scented hay field and open hearted countryfolk. A large number of the children present knew little of the real subject of the songs, but the music possessed that peculiar quality which conveyed something of the spirit of the thing to their receptive minds, keeping them quiet and intent throughout the programme. Mr. T. P. M. Bevan, the organizer of the recital, accompanied Miss Lawson on the piano.

MAGIC AT THE ENGINEERS' INSTITUTE.

A very entertaining evening was spent at King's Buildings yesterday by a large number of members of the Hongkong Institute of Engineers and Shipbuilders and friends who were treated to an exhibition of modern parlour magic by Mr. Don G. Merle, who was assisted by Madame Merle.

Mr. Merle's tricks were of an exceptionally high standard, and his personality together with a very pretty turn of wit kept every one interested and amused throughout the entertainment. One of his best tricks was the production of numerous glasses of beer from nowhere. One gentleman in the audience spoke very highly of the trick afterwards, though possibly his judgment was biased by the fact that he was responsible for the disappearance once more of some of the liquid. Mr. Merle's card tricks were both original and clever, and throughout the evening no one's attention was allowed to flag.

OPIUM AND ALCOHOL. VIEWS OF MR. McELDERRY.

At the Red Cross Conference held at Bangkok Mr. McElderry of the Hongkong Civil Service, who is one of the representatives of the Colonial Office at the Conference speaking on a resolution submitted to the Conference aiming at diminishing the abuse of opium and other noxious habit-forming drugs, said he concurred in the terms of the provisional resolution but he suggested that alcohol should be mentioned therein in addition to opium and other habit-forming drugs. There was a real danger in substituting alcohol for opium. In the report on the F.M.S. Lunatic Asylum for 1921, it was stated that malaria takes the first place as a cause of lunacy with 77 appearances; in 1919 it took only fourth place. Diseases of the gastro-intestinal tract took second place with 151 appearances; syphilis, third place with 44; and alcohol, fourth place with 38. In 1919 alcohol took third place. Only two cases were attributed to the abuse of opium. Many Chinese were being deprived of the opium to which they had been accustomed, and they turned to alcohol—usually had alcohol at that—with the result stated.

SPORT.

FOOTBALL.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

HONGKONG LEAGUE.

Division I.—Kick-off 4 p.m.
Hongkong Club v. H.M.S. Titania, Club ground. Referee: Mr. Williams.
H.M.S. Hawkins v. R.G.A., Navy "B" ground. Referee: Mr. Hollands.
King's Regt. v. Hongkong Police, Sookunpoo "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Smith.
South China v. Kowloon, South China ground. Referee: Mr. Collins.
H.M.S. Tamar v. H.M.S. Durban, Navy "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Tyldesley.
Division II.—Kick-off 2.30 p.m.
King's Regt. v. H.M.S. Marazion, Sookunpoo "B" ground. Referee: Mr. Cook.
R.G.A. v. H.M.S. Hawkins, Sookunpoo "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Spencer.
H.M.S. Ambrose v. South China, "A" Navy "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Davies.
St. Joseph's v. H.M.S. Durban, St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Mr. Fairburn.
H.K. Police v. Fleet Auxiliaries, Navy "B" ground. Referee: Mr. White.
Kowloon v. University, Railway ground. Referee: Mr. Perryman.
United A.C. v. South China, "B" Club ground. Referee: Mr. Garton.
Kick-off 4 p.m.
H.M.S. Titania v. Warders, St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Mr. Lavender.

MID-WEEK MATCHES.

Matches in mid-week resulted as under:—

HONGKONG LEAGUE.

H.M.S. Hawkins 2 H.M.S. Titania 2
H.M.S. Ambrose 2 H.M.S. Durban 0
H.M.S. Hawkins R. 5 H.M.S. Titania R. 1
UNITED SERVICES' LEAGUE.
H.M.S. Ambrose 3 H.M.S. Hawkins 1
H.M.S. Tamar 0 King's Regt. 0
H.M.S. Durban 3 R.G.A. 1
H.M.S. Hawkins R. 0 R.G.A. R. 0
King's Regt. 6 H.M.S. Durban R. 0
H.M.S. Magnolia 2 H.M.S. Kowloon 1

The following will represent the King's at Sookunpoo to-day, against H.M.S. Marazion at 2.30 p.m.:—Cpl. Hollands; Cpl. McCaa and Pte. Crumney; Ptes. Jones, Critchlow and Wildman; Ptes. Love and Dangerfield, C.Q.M.S. Burnett, Ptes. Pro and Liversay.

Against Hongkong Police at 4 p.m.:—Pte. Drennan; Cpl. Wynne and Pte. Williams; Sgt. Newton; Pte. Hodgson and Cpl. Barlow; Pte. Williams, Dmr. Moran, Lt. Jones, Cpl. Dyer and Pte. Scott.

The Club receive the Titania on their ground this week, and a fast and even game should be seen. The sailors have a couple of good men in Emery and Weedon, recent arrivals from home, who have strengthened the team considerably. In midweek football they practically had the Hawkins beaten for with a lead of two goals and with about 15 minutes to go the latter scored two lucky goals in less than two minutes and drew level. The Club should field a stronger side this week, while Begg should regain his shooting form. Against the Hawkins last week he was not up to usual form, this being due to his absence from football for a month. He will probably make amends to-day and secure a win for the Club.

At Sookunpoo the King's are due out against the Police and although the latter are not expected to take the points they should give the King's a good game.

The Hawkins and R.G.A. meet on Navy "B" ground to-day and on form the sailors should win. These teams have met before this season when the sailors claimed the match by the odd goal in three. The Hawkins have not done well in midweek football this week, picking up only one point out of four. The R.G.A. lost to Durban in mid-week, but they are strengthening their defence to-day. Their forwards are weak and lack combination. Herwood should make a welcome re-appearance in the gunners' team to-day.

A fast and even game should be seen on the Navy "A" ground between the Tamar and Durban. Both sides are fielding new men, the Tamar having three in their front line. Brazendale, who left by the Pindicline, this week, will be badly missed on the Tamar's left wing. Herwood, who played for the depot ship last season is back again and is turning out in the attack to-day. The Durban have a dashing set of forwards and in midweek gave the Ambrose a fast game and kept them out until just on time when the Ambrose scored from a penalty. A draw to-day is expected.

The match on the South China ground between South China and Kowloon should be worth watching. These teams have previously met this season when Kowloon, playing on their new ground, got the verdict by the only goal of the match. Last week South China went down to the Ambrose while Kowloon failed against the King's. The local team expects to reverse the result of the match played at Kowloon and take the points.

In the Junior division a full programme has been arranged. The two games of the most importance are those between R.G.A. and Hawkins at Sookunpoo and United and South China "B" on the Club ground. The Services game should be evenly contested as these teams played a goalless draw in midweek, the military team having the better of the

exchanges. The sailors cannot afford to drop a point to-day if they wish to be in the running for championship honours. The military team, although in a good position, have already dropped three points and may yet upset those who are on the top of the League table.

On the Club ground the game should be very fast and with the Chinese attack, including three players of last year's senior team, a win for them is expected. Still the United are expected to run them close. They will be without their goalkeeper, Beach.

The King's meet the Marazion at Sookunpoo and the military team should win.

A very even match should be seen on Navy "A" ground between South China "A" and Ambrose with the sailors winning.

The University are due at Kowloon after a month's absence from the game, but they should prove too strong for the home side and come away with the points.

St. Joseph's are at home to the Durban and should take the points.

The Police and Auxiliaries meet on Navy "B" ground and both teams are without a point in the League, a record that must go at the close of the match to-day. The Auxiliaries got their first goal this season when playing against South China "B" last week and are confident of taking at least one point to-day.

The Titania meet the Warders on St. Joseph's ground and the sailors are expected to win.

A meeting of the H.K.F.A. is being held at Victoria Barracks on Tuesday next at 5.30 p.m. when important business will be discussed including arrangements for the interport match.

H.K.F.C. v. H.M.S. "TITANIA."

The following team will represent the Hongkong Football Club in their League game with the H.M.S. Titania on the Club ground at 4 p.m. to-day:—Roderick, Gerard, Bishop, Israel, Stewart, McPhail (capt.), Purvis, Forsyth, Begg, Valentine and England.

KOWLOON v. SOUTH CHINA.

The following have been selected to represent Kowloon in the 1st division to-day:—Woodman; Wheeler and Knight; Morrison, Patoe and McKelvie; Clemon, Mason, King, A. Duncan and Combs. Reserve: Millard.

KOWLOON v. UNIVERSITY.

The following will represent Kowloon in this 2nd division match to-day:—Rasmussen; Guest and Duncan; G. Banner, Oliver and Hooper; East, Ferguson, Spary, Blagden and Goodman. Reserve: Easterbrook.

U.A.C. v. SOUTH CHINA "A."

The following will represent the United Athletic Club in above second division League fixture, to-day, on the Club ground, kick-off 2.30 p.m. sharp:—Ozorio; Jackson and Chilton; Leonard, Mackenzie and Urquhart; Botelho, Derry, Brown, May and Chubb.

NAVY AND ARMY TRIALS.

In view of the Navy v. Army match at Sookunpoo on New Year's Day the following trial games have been arranged.

NAVY TEAMS.

Monday, 18th December, 1922. Kick-off 4.15 p.m., Happy Valley:—Possibles.—Coyne (Ambrose); Adkins (Hawkins) and Komayze (Durban); Strik (Hawkins), Hudson (Tamar) and Butler (Ambrose); Barkham (Hawkins), Darlison (Durban), Emery (Titania), Burd (Tamar) and Stock (Titania). Probables.—Phillips (Titania); Grant (Tamar) and Smith (Tamar); Pring (Durban), Weedon (Titania) and Armstrong (Ambrose); Millar (Durban), Handford (Tamar), Osborne (Hawkins), Hood (Ambrose) and Imeson (Hawkins).

ARMY TEAMS.

Monday, 18th December, 1922. Kick-off 4 p.m., Garrison ground, Sookunpoo. Colours.—Drennan (King's); Wynne (King's) and Frampton (R.G.A.); Bailey, Basso and Lillie (R.G.A.); Williams, Burnett, Lt. Jones and Dyer (King's) and Cousins (R.G.A.). Reserves: Green (R.G.A.) and Critchlow (King's). Whites.—Townsend (R.E.); Herwood (R.G.A.) and Williams (King's); Newton, Hodgson and Barlow (King's); Key (R.G.A.), Pearson (R.E.), Dangerfield (King's), Harris (R.G.A.) and Payne (R.A.S.C.). Reserves: Shiell (R.G.A.) and MacCae (King's). Referee: E. S. M. Williams, D.O.M., R.G.A.

INTERPORT SOCCER MATCH AT CHINA NEW YEAR.

Mr. F. S. James, Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong Football Association, informs us that the Shanghai Football Association has notified by cable that they will send an Interport Soccer team to Hongkong at Chinese New Year.

CRICKET.

K.C.C. v. UNIVERSITY.

This match takes place at Kowloon to-day at 2.15 p.m. The following will represent the K.C.C.:—J. P. Robinson, B. D. Evans, O. J. Stapleton, Capt. E. G. Spinks, R. Pestonji, G. A. V. Hall, E. Esterham, H. H. Benson, R. E. Lindsell, L. J. Blackburn, C. O. Dance.

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NEW COURSE.

TUESDAY, 26th Dec. Forenoon—Ladies Tombstone Competition, Entrance Fee 50 cents.
The Main Club House will be open to Ladies on Tuesday, 26th December.

PERCY SMITH, SETH & FLEMING,
Secretaries & Treasurers.
[1922]

NOTIFICATION.

THE Offices and Stations of the Chinese Maritime Customs for Kowloon and District will be CLOSED to Public Business on FRIDAY, the 22nd DECEMBER (Winter Solstice), on MONDAY and TUESDAY, the 25th and 26th DECEMBER (Christmas Holidays), and on MONDAY and TUESDAY, the 1st and 2nd JANUARY, 1923 (New Year Holidays).

F. L. BESSELL,
Deputy Commissioner of Chinese Customs in charge temporarily,
Kowloon and District.
York Buildings,
Hongkong, 15th December, 1922. [1922]

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THE CAPTAIN and OWNERS of the S.S. "NASSA" disclaim any responsibility for any debts contracted by the crew of that vessel while in Hongkong [1918]

M. BRYAN (late P.W.D.) will be pleased to represent any firm at the forthcoming British Empire Exhibition, c/o Hongkong & Shanghai Bank, LONDON. [1924]

NO. 5 & 6 PLATOONS (Scottish Co.) of the H. K. V. DEFENCE CORPS will attend the Morning Service at Union Church on Sunday, the 17th—on parade. Sent holders are requested kindly to leave the middle aisle at the disposal of the Company. [1923]

DANCING.

PALACE HOTEL,
KOWLOON.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS.

By kind permission of Capt. C. S. Benning, R.N. D.S.O., The popular JAZZ QUARTET of

H.M.S. Titania will play at the above Hotel on SATURDAY, 16th, Dancing 9 P.M.

An Exhibition of CLASSIC DANCING will be given by Mr. J. THOMAS and Miss E. MAKAROWA, in the following Dances: ORIENTAL DANCE, GYPSY DANCE, POLKA DANCE, THE LOVE, FLOWERS DANCE. [1923]

THE CHINESE ENGINEERING AND MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

PAYMENT OF FINAL DIVIDEND ON SHARES FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE, 1922.

THE Board having declared a FINAL DIVIDEND of 3/4 (Three and a half pence), free of Income Tax, for the year ending 30th June, 1922, holders of Bearer Shares and holders of Dividend Warrants received from London on account of Registered Shares, will be paid their dividends on presenting No. 21 Coupon of the Bearer Shares, and Dividend Warrants on Registered Shares, to either of the following Banks at Shanghai or Tientsin:—
The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
The Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,
The Russo-Asiatic Bank,
The Banque Belge Pour l'Etranger.
The payments will be made in either Dollars or Taels as the holder may wish, at the buying rate of exchange of the day.
P. C. YOUNG,
Acting General Manager,
KAILAN MINING ADMINISTRATION. [1921]

THE CORONET.

HAROLD LLOYD

GRANDMA'S BOY.

KOWLOON THEATRE.

9.15 P.M.

DOLLAR DANCE.

INTIMATIONS

THEATRE ROYAL

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CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION OF SHAKESPEARE'S

"THE TEMPEST."

TUESDAY, Dec. 26th (Boxing Day), 9.15 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 27th (Matinee), 5.15 P.M.

THURSDAY, Dec. 28th, 9.15 P.M.

FRIDAY, Dec. 29th, 9.15 P.M.

MONDAY, Jan. 1st (New Year's Day), 9.15 P.M.

TUESDAY, Jan. 2nd, 9.15 P.M.

Booking now at MOUTRIER.

Prices as Usual. [1893]

THE HONGKONG ART CLUB will be "At Home" to Members and Friends on TUESDAY, 18th INST., from 3.30 to 7.00 P.M., at the HALLWAY INSTITUTE.
Anyone interested in Art is cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, 15th December, 1922. [1916]

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE.

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THE New School Year begins JANUARY 2nd. Entrance Examination for New Boys, TUESDAY, JANUARY 2nd, at 9.30 A.M.

For Prospects, for Boarders and Day-boys, apply—

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THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Members of THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB, will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. JARDINE, MATTHEWS & CO., LTD., Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 18th day of DECEMBER, 1922, at 5.15 P.M.

To Receive from the Committee a Report, Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th September, 1922.

To Consider, and if thought expedient, pass a Resolution continuing the additional subscription of \$2.00 per month until the 31st December, 1924.

To Elect Officers, Members of the Committee, and an Auditor for the ensuing year.

To Decide on any Resolution which may be submitted to the Secretaries and Treasurers four days prior to the Meeting.

Any Other Business.

By Order of the Committee,
PERCY SMITH, SETH & FLEMING,
Secretaries & Treasurers.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1922.

Nominations for Members of the General Committee should reach the Secretaries and Treasurers not later than 5 P.M., on THURSDAY, the 14th DECEMBER, 1922. [1898]

HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

2ND TOURNAMENT OF THE SEASON.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23RD, at 9.15 P.M.

at the

THEATRE ROYAL.

MAIN EVENT:

15 ROUNDS CONTEST FOR THE MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE COLONY AND THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS" BELT.

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BOOKING AT MOUTRIER:

Members—20th December.

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USUAL PRICES.

NEXT TOURNAMENT—Saturday, January 27th

at the

THEATRE ROYAL.

A Band will play between the Events. [1915]

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[1921]

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

S.S. "ANDRE LEBON."
SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES
MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from MARSEILLE, etc., also Cargo ex S.S. "COMMANDANT MAGES" from COGNAC, in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks, into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimations are received from the Consignees before Noon, to-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after the 18th inst., at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 22nd inst., or they will not be recognized. All damaged packages will be examined on Monday, the 18th inst., at 10 A.M., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

R. RODENFUSER, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1922. [1913]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM HUMBURG AND ANTWERP.

THE S.S. "SIERRA MORENA"

Having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees risk and expense.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before noon to-day.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on 15th inst., at 10 A.M., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

All claims must be presented within 15 days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 16th inst., will be subject to rent.

Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading can be countersigned.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

CARL BODIKER & CO.,
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Hongkong, 11th December, 1922. [1904]

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Hongkong, October 2nd 1890.

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Fieuzal lenses of any prescription in either regular or Toric forms are manufactured by the Hongkong Optical Co., successors to Clark & Co., Manufacturing and Refracting Opticians, 20, Queen's Road Central, APT.

[1921]

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BIRTH.

ISEN-SORENSEN.—At Shanghai, on Dec. 9th, to Mr. and Mrs. J. ISEN-SORENSEN, a son.

MARRIAGES.

SCARBOROUGH—HURST.—At Shanghai, on December 8th, FREDERICK SCARBOROUGH, son of Mrs. E. G. BARRETT, Shanghai, to IRENE MILLICENT HURST, daughter of Mrs. TAYLOR, Tientsin.

SHERIDAN—DOBRESHANSKY.—At Shanghai, on December 8th, JOHN JAMES SHERIDAN to ANNA DOBRESHANSKY.

DEATH.

BARRADAS.—At Shanghai, on December 10th, AUGUSTO CESAR BARRADAS.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 10A, DES Vaux Rd., C.

LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 16TH, 1922.

THE RUSSIAN REFUGEES.

WHEN discussing in this column recently the problem created by a large exodus of Russians from Vladivostok in consequence of the occupation of that territory by the Bolshevik forces, our remarks conveyed perhaps the impression that they had not gone into exile unfurnished with means of support. We had in mind particularly at the time the report that part of Admiral STARK'S fleet of twenty-five vessels, which are reported to be carrying 7,000 refugees, had arrived at Shanghai, as they had been refused a landing in Korea. It appears from inquiries made at Shanghai that the refugees are by no means prepared for a long period of enforced idleness. The N.C. Daily News says it appears from a visit paid to some of the ships lying off Woosung that, although the refugees are short of coal and drinking water, they have food to last them up to the end of the month. Their clothing, however, affords but meagre protection against the bitter cold of Woosung in winter time and they are, of course, miserably crowded. For the moment, at least, they would appear to be better circumstanced than thousands of their fellow nationals in Korea and Manchuria. A report from the British Consul-General at Seoul to

the British Ambassador at Tokyo states that there were at the time of writing (November 22nd) 7,284 refugees from Vladivostok in Korea, including more than 600 women and some 200 children. Of these 580 were sick and wounded. These unfortunates were sheltered, partly in vessels in Gensan harbour, and partly in Customs sheds on shore. In these sheds no arrangements existed for heating, washing or other sanitary needs, the inmates slept on the mud floors without bedding except what little has been supplied from the ships and from charitable sources; with scanty clothing, and without adequate food. And to add to their sufferings the severe Korean winter has set in. Two feet of snow covered the ground in Gensan when this official report was made. Typhus and measles had broken out, and there had been already many deaths. The funds available were stated to be barely sufficient, with the utmost economy, to support them for more than three or four weeks. The Consuls at Yokohama in their appeal for help issued to the foreign community of that port said that the foreign community of Korea, though small in numbers, are doing a splendid and efficiently organised work to relieve these unhappy conditions, and in the name of humanity, the Consuls said it is the duty of everyone, according to his ability, to aid their efforts. A prompt and generous response was made by the foreign community in the Yokohama Consular district. Within a few days something like ten thousand yen was subscribed for their relief, and local committees in Japan, and now in Shanghai, are collecting clothing and other articles to relieve the misery of the refugees.

Immediate requirements of this nature, as our Shanghai contemporary pertinently remarked concerning an appeal for the relief of the refugees at Woosung, are the very smallest part of the problem. That is no less the case in Korea than in Shanghai. As regards the Russians on the ships at Woosung, our Shanghai contemporary understands that they do not ask for charity. "They even, we believe, say that they can manage the charge of the wives and children of the officers and soldiers who form a large part of the company. Their main preoccupation is for the boys from the cadet schools of Omsk, Habarovsk and Vladivostok, sons of former officers of the old Russian army, of whom there are over two hundred and sixty on board, ranging from nine to sixteen years of age. These boys are accompanied by their teachers and it is they whom the officers in command of the flotilla are most insistent on being allowed to land. What is to be done with them in Shanghai the Russian officers do not pretend to say: they argue only that they have done their duty in rescuing them from the Reds and they appeal to the humanity of other nations and of Shanghai in particular to see that their work does not fall to the ground."

There can be no early solution to this problem except it be the return of these people to their homes under guarantees that they will receive a full and free pardon for their political offences, but, as we said a week ago, the difficulty is to persuade the refugees to repose any confidence in the promises of the authorities. No promises of safe conduct, they aver, would be respected five minutes after they had landed. From a Japanese paper published at Dairen we gather that the Soviet authorities in Siberia, in the conversations which the Chinese and Japanese authorities have had with them on the subject, expressed themselves as willing to give the refugees safe-conduct and adequate protection if they return, but apparently they were disinclined to put the promise into writing. As great numbers of these refugees are said to have been "tried and condemned" in their absence, their terror of Bolshevism can be well understood. They cannot be left to starve on the high seas or on foreign territory, however, and the Powers who are brought so directly into contact with the problem must feel it incumbent upon them from considerations of humanity as well as of policy to do their utmost to solve it.

Employees of the Peking Law Courts, having received no salaries for five months past, went on strike a week ago.

Sir Robert Ho Tung, LL.D., has been decorated by President Li Yuan Hung with the first-class Tashou Chinese Order.

We regret to learn that the Rev. Dr. T. W. Pearce, whose health gave his friends cause for anxiety some months ago, is lying ill at Morrison Hall.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending December 2nd amounted to 34,833 tons and the sales to 33,035 tons.

A Chinese, living at Yau-masi, has reported to the Police the loss of property valued at \$1,440. The thief entered his room by climbing up the verandah and removing a pane of glass from the window.

The accountant of No. 1, Tai Hang Street, Sai Wan Ho, has reported the loss of \$800, which was removed from the office safe by some unknown person who he believes to be in possession of a duplicate key.

Mr. A. Cameron, Oriental Manager of the Canadian Pacific Steamship Services, arrived in Hongkong yesterday by the s.s. Empress of Australia, from Japan. Mr. Cameron has been absent from the Colony since the beginning of November.

According to a report by the Canton Police, there are now 918 places of public worship, including monasteries, nunneries, ancestral temples, and others. All these institutions have been requested to submit their land deeds and titles for inspection, apparently with a view to taxation.

The forthcoming weddings are announced of Mr. William Miller Vernon, electrical engineer, Hongkong Hotel, to Miss Nell Brewster Avery, of the Kingsclere Hotel; and of Mr. Jose Jesus Sanchez Arias, Vice-Consul for Mexico, to Miss Rose Zuckerman Duarte, of Carnarvon Buildings, Carnarvon Road, Kowloon.

Our Macao correspondent reports that in the forenoon of Wednesday a bomb exploded in the garden of Government house. It had apparently been thrown from the window of a house near by. The bursting of the bomb made a very loud report, but no serious damage was done. Some suspected persons have been arrested.

The insurance claims in connection with the fire at Canton on December 8th is given as about \$473,000. Forty insurance offices are affected. Of these the Commercial Insurance Company is involved to the extent of \$83,000, which represents the largest claim. Some of the companies are concerned for not more than \$1,000 each.

There were no fewer than twenty firms competing for the ching-piu lottery monopoly at Macao for a period of four years. Bidding started at \$200,000 per annum and went up to \$460,250, which was offered by the Su Tak Kongs, but the Government committee decided not to accept the bid, which apparently was below the estimated value of the monopoly.

The wedding took place at Shanghai last Saturday of Mr. Frederick Scarborough, son of Mrs.

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH ROUTE'S AGENCY.]

GERMAN REPARATIONS.

DEBATE IN HOUSE OF COMMONS.

LONDON, December 14th.

The House of Commons debated the reparations position, following a series of questions by Sir John Simon which were framed after consultation with Mr. Asquith, Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. Ramsay MacDonald.

SERIOUS ECONOMIC POSITION OF BRITAIN.

Replying to Sir John Simon's anxiety lest the effect of the proposed moratorium might be frustrated by ill-considered action, Mr. Bonar Law referred sympathetically to the French viewpoint, but said he was convinced that for us to pay the United States, without receiving anything from outside sources, would reduce the standard of living in England for a generation. Unless there was a distinct improvement in trade, within a reasonable time, we should reach a position which would, in his opinion, be worse almost than any of the Allied countries. We could not therefore be so generous as some people wished.

GERMANY ON THE VERGE OF COLLAPSE.

All the information he had was to the effect that Germany was very near a complete collapse, and we could not look with equanimity on any action which we thought would fail to produce reparations, but which might, at the same time make it more difficult, if not impossible, to obtain them.

POSITION HOPELESS WITHOUT FRANCO-BRITISH CO-OPERATION.

There was almost no hope for a solution unless we and France acted together, and he hoped both Governments would utilise the interval in an endeavour to find some common method of dealing with the problem.

NOTEWORTHY ABSENCE OF CRITICISM.

The reparations debate in the House of Commons was noteworthy owing to the absence of criticism.

This morning's newspapers similarly commend the Premier's statement, dwelling on the passage, and deprecating any action likely to make the reparations more difficult; obviously referring to the occupation of the Ruhr.

FRENCH NEWSPAPERS ENDORSE PREMIER'S STATEMENT.

Paris, December 14th.

The newspapers unanimously declared that Mr. Bonar Law's statement indicated warm sympathy with France, and a strong desire for a solution in accordance with the interests of both countries.

Several newspapers try to read between the lines of the speech, saying that Mr. Bonar Law is apprehensive lest the French decision to coerce Germany shall jeopardise the existence of his Cabinet. They argue that the British public misconceives the "occupation of the Ruhr" as threatening an economic catastrophe.

BRITISH PARLIAMENT PROROGUED.

THE KING'S SPEECH.

NEAR EAST AND IRISH PROBLEMS.

LONDON, December 14th.

In the King's speech at the prorogation of the British Parliament, he earnestly trusts that a satisfactory solution of the Near East problems will shortly be reached at the Lausanne Conference. The task of restoring conditions favourable to the economic stability of Europe continues to give deep concern. The difficulties are great and complex, and can only be overcome by patient and sincere co-operation by the nations primarily affected. He earnestly prays that the passing of the Irish measures will mark the inauguration of a period of prosperity for all concerned, both in Ireland and Great Britain. Ministers must continue to examine most carefully all possible measures for dealing with the unemployment condition.

EARLIER CABLES.

BRITISH PARLIAMENT. NEW SESSION TO OPEN IN FEBRUARY.

LONDON, December 14th.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Bonar Law announced that the new session would open on February 13th.

LATEST CABLES.

AMERICA'S RELATIONS WITH BRITAIN AND EUROPE.

U.S. AMBASSADOR TO CONFER WITH AMERICAN MINISTERS.

WASHINGTON, December 14th.

Colonel Geo. Harvey, United States Ambassador in London, is returning shortly on account of the illness of his wife, but he is expected to confer with President Harding, Mr. C. E. Hughes (Secretary of State) and Mr. A. Mellon (Secretary of the Treasury) regarding America's relations with Great Britain and Europe.

PIERPONT MORGAN INTERVIEWS PRESIDENT HARDING.

New York, December 14th.

The unexpected visit of Mr. Pierpont Morgan to Washington, where he interviewed President Harding, has revived talk regarding the President's intentions of taking a hand in the reparations question.

AMERICAN POLITICS.

FAMINE RELIEF IN GERMANY AND AUSTRIA.

WASHINGTON, December 14th.

Mr. Newton, a Republican member, has introduced a resolution into the House of Representatives for the appropriation of \$70,000,000 to relieve famine conditions in Austria and Germany.

NAVAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Mr. Kelley (Republican) who prepared the report of the Appropriations Committee on the Annual Naval Bill, speaking in the House of Representatives in support of the bill, declared that the committee had fixed the gross amount of appropriations as high as \$331,000,000.

Mr. Kelley went on to say that the world must stop building 10,000 ton warships, if it is to enjoy the fruits of the last Conference.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SHIP SUBSIDY BILL.

BENEFITS FOR AGRICULTURALISTS SUGGESTED.

WASHINGTON, December 14th.

The Republican Senator Brookhart, has proposed an amendment to the Ship Subsidy Bill granting a subsidy to American industrial and agricultural producers. He favoured a ten per cent. rebate in freight charges on products for export from points of origin if shipped by Government-aided vessels.

DUTCH OIL EXPORT TAX. DEFINITELY ABOLISHED.

THE HAGUE, December 14th.

In a memorandum replying to the Second Chamber report on the Dutch East Indies, the Colonial Minister states that the oil export duty will be definitely abolished on December 31st. Any duty subsequently paid will be refunded after the abolition has been legislatively ratified.

The Minister disputes the contention that capital invested in oil interests is disproportionately taxed, and refuses to admit that his financial policy is likely to lead to the flight or abatement of foreign capital from the Dutch Colonies.

FRENCH COMMUNISTS IMPRISONED.

A LESSON IN DISCIPLINE.

PARIS, December 14th.

The Communist Deputies, Vaillant Couturier and Marcel Cochon, also the journalist Peri have been sentenced by the Correctional Court to six months imprisonment, in default, for inciting troops to disobey orders, in newspaper articles written by them.

EARLIER CABLES.

ANOTHER POISONED CHOCOLATE SCARE.

THE WORK OF A LUNATIC WOMAN?

LONDON, December 13th.

A parcel of chocolates addressed to the Home Secretary was delivered at the Home Office. The police found arsenic inserted, similarly to the case of the chocolates sent to Sir William Horwood a month ago. The parcel was posted at Balham, where Sir Wm. Horwood's was also posted. It is believed both crimes are the work of the same lunatic woman.

THE SCARE SUBSIDES.

A statement issued by the Home Office does not attach any importance to the arrests sent to the Home Secretary, which, it is said, were not chocolates. It is declared that the circumstances preclude the possibility that any attempt was intended on Mr. W. G. Bridgeman's life.

M.C.C. DEFEAT PRETORIA.

PRETORIA, December 14th.

The M.C.C. made 300 for the loss of seven wickets, and declared. Pretoria replied with 116 in their second innings. Macaulay taking 6 for 18. The M.C.C. thus won by an innings and forty-seven runs.

LAUSANNE DELIBERATIONS.

TURKEY TO JOIN LEAGUE.

LAUSANNE, December 14th.

This morning's meeting of the minorities sub-commission had a satisfactory result. Lord Curzon's strong attitude toward the Turks completely altered their standpoint, and they definitely promised to join the League of Nations. Lord Curzon expressed his pleasure, and the chief delegates then left the sub-commission to continue its work.

MR. CHILD'S ADVICE TO ISMET.

LAUSANNE, December 14th.

At the conclusion of the minorities commission meeting yesterday evening, there were very active efforts to prevent a rupture, with much coming and going of British, French and Italian delegates till past midnight.

Perhaps the most important intervention was by the American, Mr. Child, who had a long conversation with Ismet Pasha, whom he strongly advised to be more conciliatory. Ismet was very receptive and non-committal, but the efficacy of Mr. Child's arguments towards settling the minorities question was proved by the Turkish promise to-day, cabled earlier.

A communiqué issued after the meeting of the minorities sub-commission to-day states that Lord Curzon noted with satisfaction Ismet's speech, notably the declaration of Turkey's intention to join the League of Nations. Mr. Harbord and Signor Garrolo spoke similarly, after which the sub-commission began its labours.

TURKISH STANDPOINT ALTERS.

LONDON, December 14th.

Lord Curzon's firmness, supported by France and Italy, has triumphed at Lausanne, Ismet Pasha conceding all the points the Allies demanded except as regards the provision of a national home for the Armenians. Turkey's decision to join the League of Nations after the conclusion of peace has eased the tension at Lausanne, and is expected to shorten the duration of the conference and facilitate a complete understanding, as when a deadlock is reached on any question, it will probably be referred to the League, similarly to the question of racial minorities. Turkey must still apply for admission to the League, which can only be granted by the Assembly. It is probable a special session will be summoned as the Assembly does not meet before December.

AMERICA'S FOREIGN CREDITS.

INCREASE ADVOCATED.

NEW YORK, December 14th.

At the annual conference of Governors of the United States at White Sulphur Springs, Mr. McKelvie, Governor of Nebraska, advocated the United States increasing the credits allowed to foreign Governments with stable foreign currencies, as a means of increasing demand for American farm products. It is said, however, that the United States should, however, be ascertained prior to the granting of credits whether the nation concerned had reduced its armed forces to a sound peace basis.

JAPANESE OCCUPATION OF SAGHALIEN.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT WILL NOT INTERFERE.

LONDON, December 14th.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Trevelyan, who suggested approaching the other Powers represented at the Washington Conference, with a view to joining in friendly representations to Japan to withdraw her troops from Saghalien, Mr. Bonar Law said the Government did not consider they were called upon to initiate any action in the matter.

MOSCOW DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE.

DISAGREEMENT LEADS TO ITS ABANDONMENT.

RIGA, December 14th.

A message from Moscow says that Litvinoff, the chief Russian delegate to the Moscow Disarmament Conference, in a statement to journalists complained of its breakdown and declared that Russia was not guaranteed against Japanese aggression or British intrigues. He charged the latter with fomenting anti-Russian agitation in the Far East, not granting gold for the purpose. The disarmament conference broke down through the attitude of the border delegations at the outset.

CHARGES AGAINST U.S. ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

HIS IMPEACHMENT UNLIKELY.

WASHINGTON, December 14th.

Mr. Volstead, chairman of the judiciary committee of the House of Representatives, is hearing the charges against Mr. Daugherty. He has declared that he does not believe it will be possible to secure an impeachment judging by the character of the evidence already adduced.

A SIGNIFICANT WITTEDRAWAL.

Mr. Keller withdrew from the impeachment against Mr. Daugherty, after the Judiciary Committee had refused to permit him to read a long statement. The Committee summoned Mr. Keller to testify to-morrow.

ELLERMAN LINERS' ROUTE.

SOUTHAMPTON A PORT OF CALL.

LONDON, December 14th.

Beginning with the s.s. *City of Simla* early in the new year, the Ellerman liners will call at Southampton on the outward journey from the Continent to the Far East.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH ROUTE'S AGENCY.]

HUKUANG LOAN COUPONS.

ARRANGEMENT FOR PAYMENT COMPLETED.

PEKING, December 15th.

Arrangements were completed this afternoon, with the banks concerned, for the telegraphic transmission from Shanghai of salt funds to meet the payment on Hukuang Loan Coupons, due to-morrow.

FRENCH POSTAL AGENCIES IN CHINA.

TO BE OFFICIALLY CLOSED AT END OF YEAR.

PEKING, December 14th.

The French Minister notified the Waichiaoou (Chinese Foreign Office) this morning, that the French postal agencies would be officially closed on December 31st, but in view of the fact that French mails en route to China would not arrive until later, some of the personnel would be retained, merely for distribution purposes and the winding up of details which cannot be completed before the end of the year. It is understood that this meets with the approval of the Chinese authorities.

"EMPEROR OF AUSTRALIA" AGAIN IN HONGKONG.

PROPELLER SHAFT ADJUSTED AT VANCOUVER.

After nearly four months' absence from Hongkong the s.s. *Empress of Australia* arrived in port early yesterday morning, with passengers and mails from Vancouver.

The liner left here on August 28th on her first voyage for Canada, having come here from England via Suez. On her first trip some trouble was experienced with one of the propeller shafts and, on arriving at Vancouver, she was placed in lock to receive the required attention. It was found that the shaft was slightly out of alignment, which set up a certain amount of friction. The shaft had to be removed from the vessel and placed on an enormous turning lathe for adjustment.

The vessel on her return trip behaved splendidly and the trouble experienced on the outward journey has been eliminated. Her speed on this trip was a little over 10 knots per hour; her speed on her trial run was 18 odd knots per hour. During the present voyage the *Australia* encountered heavy seas, and at times the waves rose as high as 90 feet. The liner was very steady throughout and scarcely rolled or pitched at all. She was due to arrive in Hongkong yesterday afternoon but arrived outside the channel last evening a little late to come into the harbour. She spent the night cruising outside waiting for daylight when she came in. She had on board 83 first-class passengers and 29 second-class and 182 steerage, and also a number of coastal passengers from Shanghai and Japan.

BRITISH FORCES EVACUATE DUBLIN.

FREE STATE TROOPS TAKE OVER.

LONDON, December 14th.

The evacuation of the remainder of the British troops from Dublin has begun. The Free State troops took over as guards at the Vice-regal Lodge, and occupied several barracks, whence the troops marched out with bands playing and colours flying in the midst of cheering crowds.

BRITISH AND JAPANESE STEAMERS COLLIDE.

BOTH SLIGHTLY DAMAGED.

AGRIERS, December 14th.

The British steamer *Clan MacTavish* and the Japanese steamer *Ery* collided. Both were slightly damaged. The former proceeded on its way, but the latter will remain here temporarily for repairs.

M. CLEMENCEAU'S U.S. TOUR.

OPPOSED TO OCCUPATION OF RUHR.

PARIS, December 14th.

Interviewed by the correspondent of the *Petit Parisien* before sailing from New York, M. Clemenceau declared he was opposed to the occupation of the Ruhr, and suggested that the Anglo-French disagreement should be submitted to President Harding's arbitration.

THE WASHINGTON AGREEMENTS.

TO BE SUBMITTED TO FRENCH CHAMBER.

PARIS, December 14th.

The Minister of Marine announced in the Chamber that the Government would submit the Washington agreements for ratification on the reassembling of Parliament in January.

SWISS CONFEDERATION.

MEMBER OF FEDERAL COUNCIL DESIGNATED PRESIDENT.

BERNE, December 14th.

M. Schenker, a member of the Federal Council, has been designated President of the Confederation for 1923.

OUR LONDON LETTER.

MR. BONAR LAW'S NEW CONSERVATIVE CABINET.

SOME DIFFICULTIES ON THE ROAD TOWARDS ECONOMY.

REPUBLICAN PLOTTERS AT WORK IN IRELAND.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, November 2nd.

A Prime Minister's success in forming his Cabinet must be judged not by the array of names in a list, which is the usual basis of an estimate, but by the way the members pull together and the work they do. Mr. Bonar Law's first effort at Cabinet making has provoked the inevitable Babel of comments and criticisms; but, on the whole public opinion approves his choice of colleagues. The new Premier, while avoiding "showy" men, has selected business-like administrators with a sound record of achievement in the various offices they have filled.

One of the chief objections repeatedly urged against the Lloyd George Administration was that you never knew what was going to happen next. There was always a certain amount of electricity in the atmosphere. A feeling was general that the Government was constantly striving to produce spectacular effects either at home or abroad. But promise fell lamentably short of performance, as, for instance, in the case of the Genoa Conference, which was to set Europe on its feet and from which even the representatives of Bolshevism were not excluded.

The country is now looking to Ministers to give the legislative machine a rest and to devote themselves to administration. People are surfeited with new Acts of Parliament, many of which are inspired and most of them influenced by a too obvious desire to meddle with business or personal liberty—a habit our politicians acquired in war-time. Then Government control was a necessity, but now it is indefensible.

DEPARTING MINISTRIES.

The new Government are pledged beforehand to economy, and one of the tests of sincerity in this respect is to be the prompt cutting down of the bureaucracy. Already announcement is made of a reduction in the number of Ministries. The Ministry of Labour is to go, and the Ministry of Pensions is to be put under the control of the Treasury. The Board of Trade is to swallow the Ministry of Transport and the Department of Overseas Trade. It remains to be seen, however, how far these changes will result in a reduction of national expenditure.

When it is once set up, a Government is not easily suppressed. It would take an appreciable time, even with the good-will of everybody concerned, to get rid of a national policy that has been put into operation; and in present circumstances nothing is more natural than that the officials in the Ministries marked down to be "scrapped" should use every endeavour to delay the fatal hour when they are to find themselves out of a job. The Ministry of Food, which was an essentially war-time Department, was officially abolished long ago, and its requiem was chanted in Parliament and the Press, but nevertheless it continues to exist as a section of the Board of Trade!

EXPENSES OF CANDIDATES.

I was interested to learn this week on the authority of a political expert that while no difficulty is experienced in getting men to stand for Parliament—the number willing to come forward is, indeed, larger than before Members were paid—it is by no means easy to find men able to pay all the expenses of an election. This partly explains the rush of new candidates on the eve of the nominations for the General Election. Many who had never set foot in constituencies suddenly appeared on the scene wearing one or other of the Party labels. In pre-war days it was different.

There was then always a waiting list of candidates who were prepared to put down £1,000 or more towards the expenses of a contest, with two or three hundred a year to follow by way of annual subscription to the local party organisation. But all this is now a thing of the past. Men with incomes of thousands a year with a good margin to spare will not devote part of the surplus to the gratification of political ambitions. Either the money that they would in other circumstances have devoted to politics is taken by the tax-collector or it is required to finance business. The tendency is to rely more and more on the Party funds for election expenses, and this tendency is likely to increase rather than to diminish as time passes.

FATHER VAUGHAN.

There are many readers in China who must have learned with regret of the death of Father Vaughan. A brother of Cardinal Vaughan, he had a world-wide reputation since the time, some twenty years ago, (Continued on next column.)

NEW ZEALAND ELECTIONS.

GOVERNMENT'S PRECARIOUS POSITION.

WELLINGTON, December 14th.

The complete result of the elections shows the state of the parties as follows: Government thirty-eight, Opposition twenty, Labour seventeen, Independent five. The majority of the latter are pledged not to vote out Mr. Massey on any non-confidence motion.

SHELL TRANSPORT CO.'S DIVIDEND.

LONDON, December 14th.

The Shell Transport Co. has declared an interim dividend of two shillings per share, free of income tax.

EXCITING SCENE ON THE PRAYA.

RIVER STEAMER CRASHES INTO A NUMBER OF JUNKS.

Just before 11 o'clock last night there was an exciting scene on the Praya, near the Macao Wharf. The river steamer *Wah Kiu* in trying to come alongside the Young Tai Hing Wharf overtook her mark, and at considerable speed crashed into a number of large cargo junks lying alongside the Praya. Immediately the danger was noticed the steamer's anchor was dropped; this was, however, too late to prevent a serious collision and one junk received practically the full force of the impact. The bow of the vessel cut clean into the junk making a large hole and smashing the crew's quarters, situated on the stern, into match-wood. So heavy was the impact that two women on the junk were thrown violently on to the deck, and one of them was seriously injured about the head. The police in the neighbourhood were soon on the scene and the unfortunate woman's injuries were attended to.

The junk filled with water, and in about five minutes her deck was awash. She remained afloat in a water logged condition. The incident caused quite a commotion and within a few moments most of the junks in the immediate neighbourhood had moved away.

A Revenue Officer who witnessed the accident said that in his opinion the vessel was travelling at a fair rate, and had she not struck the junk she would have damaged her bows on the Praya wall.

when he came to London to live at Farm Street after a long sojourn at Manchester as a Jesuit priest. His work in London lay chiefly among the people of the slums; and it was while he was engaged in looking after the drags of humanity that he set everybody talking by his famous sermon on "The Sins of Society."

In 1910 Father Vaughan travelled in the United States and Canada, and thence he went on to China, where he delivered a series of lectures. During the war he created a sensation by a speech he made at the Mansion House, the purport of which was "Keep on killing Germans." Certain leaders of Nonconformity professed to be shocked, but he retorted by asking how he could be blamed by urging our troops to kill the enemy instead of being killed by him. "In my simplicity," he said, "I was under the impression that the British troops went to the front, not to take up and handoff the aggressor, but to do for him. Unless our troops are at the front to kill Germans let them come and be killed here with us. They won't have to wait long."

Father Vaughan was extremely popular, and by his death at the age of 76 the Roman Church loses a notable servant and the country a sterling Englishman.

EVENTS IN IRELAND.

Recent political developments in this country have temporarily obscured the march of events in Ireland. We are so busy over the General Election that there is no time to consider what is going on across the Irish Sea. A paragraph in some of the English papers is all that appears. But the situation is decidedly interesting. The latest move of the Irish Republicans is to carry their abstentionist policy to its logical conclusion. At the time of writing, the preposterous De Valera and his satellites are sitting in secret session, and are issuing from day to day resolutions, edicts, and decrees in the name of Dail Eireann. De Valera was re-elected President of the Irish Republic at a solemn convocation held in some place unknown a few days ago; and he has appointed a Council of State, which includes such irreconcilables as Count Plunket, Mr. Lawrence Ginnell, and Miss Mary Macswiney, sister of the Lord Mayor of Cork who killed himself by hunger striking in an English prison.

REPUBLICAN PRETENSIONS.

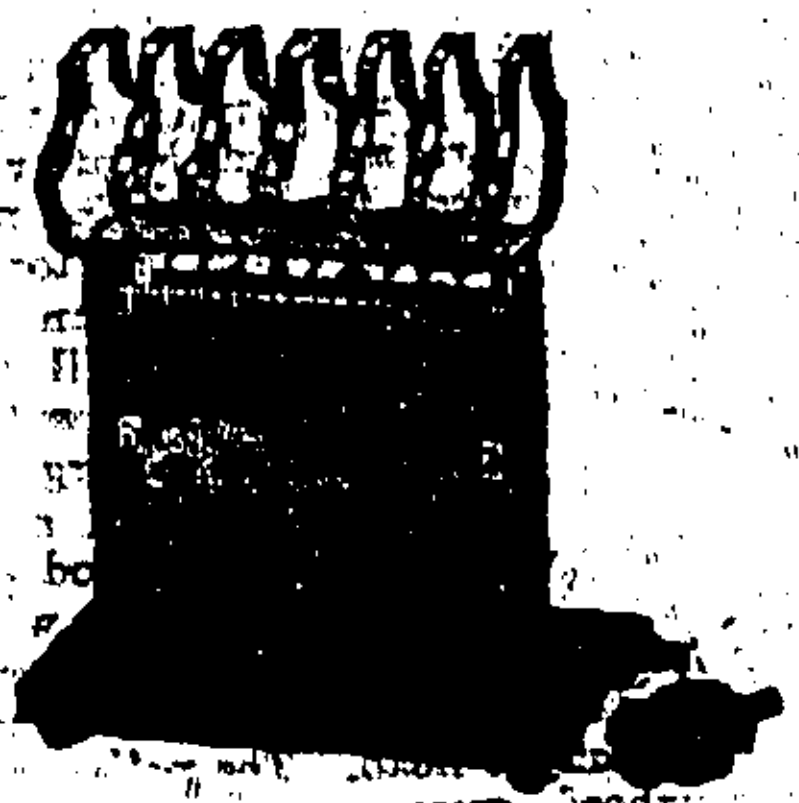
The Spanish-American Irish President of the Republic bases his claim to set up a Government on the refusal of the Speaker of the Free State Parliament which came into being after the Treaty to summon Dail Eireann, "the duly elected Parliament and Government of the Republic." The attitude of these posturing politicians, who are all more or less directly responsible for the crime and brigandage that have made Ireland a by-word among the nations, is to pretend that they are the real, original, and no-mistake Irish patriots, and that the Free State Government is composed of the servile creatures and subordinates of an alien Legislature. Although meeting in secret they contend that they alone are entitled to speak with authority on behalf of the Irish people.

The truth is, of course, that the De Valerites have been repudiated by the vast majority of Irish. This was proved by the elections held after the Treaty was concluded, and subsequently by the refusal of the Free State Parliament to accept De Valera's lead. The Republicans are in a hopeless minority—the political Ishmaels whose hand was always against England, and is now turned with peculiar malice against the Free State Government. The latter is trying to consolidate its position, which is no easy matter and will take time, assuming that it will, in fact, ultimately succeed in doing so.

Meanwhile, that task is not made easier by the doubts constantly cast upon its honesty and intentions by the Tory Diabols in England. They would like something to happen to afford a decent pretext for announcing the Treaty. This is what the Republicans desire more than anything else, and what they hope for; and it is therefore satisfactory to note that Mr. Bonar Law has declared the end of the Coalition does not mean a change in British policy towards Ireland.—H.B.

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MR. LLOYD GEORGE A HUSBAND AGAIN.

EX-PREMIER'S HUMAN SIDE.
Miss Edith Shackleton, writing in the *Daily Sketch* says: 10, Downing Street is a thrilling place to the mere caller. The austere white Hall, with its black and white marble floor and heads and horns of strange beasts, the long corridors, the white stairs hung with portraits of by-gone Prime Ministers, for all their simplicity give one the feeling that here is one of the "ends of earth." I wondered how it felt to have passed through them in power for almost six years, and then to wake up one morning as a private person, with the weight of Empire rolled over to next door.
Dame Margaret Lloyd George's drawing-room dispelled any feeling of a visit of condolence even before she herself came in. Gay parrots and roses on chintz sofas, a bright fire, modest, but fresh array of flowers, portraits of her happy-looking daughters, wedding-group photographs, book-cases that look as though they held school prizes—this is surely not the salon of a great political, wire-pulling lady; it is "mother's room."

PLAIN MR. LLOYD GEORGE.
Dame Margaret comes in, brisk, smiling, simply dressed in a dark blue gown. I felt that I was shaking hands with the least dismayed, least apprehensive lady in the political world. Other women may be hysterically putting on their rather rusty spurs. Dame Margaret looked rather as though she had descended thankfully from a long and exciting journey.
"But I thought you wanted me to talk about my husband," she protested, when I asked a question about herself. What woman, after all, wouldn't be rather eager to talk about a husband who, on this day after many years, was at last just a husband, again instead of a Prime Minister.
"I shall be glad if he does get a rest," she said. "He is not a political machine, caring only for politics. The Prime Minister—I mean Mr. Lloyd George—it is hard to remember to call him that now after so long—is a very human man. He loves music. He likes to go to the opera. He likes to play golf. And all these years he has had so little time for this own life."
"He has the power of throwing things off. Yesterday was so dramatic that many people may have wondered how he felt at the end of it. But he did not sit up and go over things again. He went to bed early and slept well, and to-day is well and cheerful. He hasn't forgotten how to be plain Mr. Lloyd George."
"It is a long time we have been here," went on Dame Margaret, looking out through the long windows to the yellowing trees across the Horse Guards Parade. "My daughter Megan can scarcely remember any other London home than 'Downing-street' one. I suppose it is the busiest term of office any Prime Minister has ever had."

READY FOR ANYTHING.
"Or any Prime Minister's wife," I suggested, for Dame Margaret has shouldered countless dull duties and reigned during a period when glitter and gaiety were rare.
"There was a lot to do," admitted Dame Margaret, "but that made things better, during war-time especially. We used to lend these rooms so often. I remember afternoons when as much as £2,000 would be collected for some charity in this drawing-room."
I remember them, too—the dearly excited throngs of women. Melts singing in the dining-room with the Premier standing in the door way, having left his office for ten minutes, the busy Welsh housemaids wrestling with tea—and in the middle of all Dame Margaret's sincere face with the beautiful look of women who still know how to put children to bed and cure a man's sore throat. Always she evolved another setting—the home setting, which she may now achieve for a time, though she says determinedly, "We always enjoy a fight when it comes. We are ready for anything."
"I hardly know yet what I shall miss most or remember longest," was Dame Margaret's confession, when more reminiscences were invited. "Going to Chequers was very wonderful. It is strange just now to think that we may not be there again. No, it didn't feel just official, a mere historic background. One could really rest there. It is so beautiful that one felt soothed there. At least I did, and I think the Prime Minister—I mean Mr. Lloyd George—did, too."

WOMEN VOTERS.
"Do you think the new women voters are going to be very interested in the campaign?" was my final question.
"Yes. Not all women, of course. One can never tell what some women will think or do. But the majority of those I see are interested. They think of their homes and want to do what is best for them."
And I thought as I came away again through the historic corridors, past the great war map which still inspires a shudder, past the many mysterious half-detective, half-querry sort of men who take the places of the footmen and parlourmaids of less responsible people that Dame Margaret saw in her audiences of women, reflections of her inner self, thinking about home and children—about a home that was really a home, with a father returning to dinner, not from a Cabinet meeting, but from a care-free round of golf.

THE BEGGAR'S OPERA.

The 1,000th performance of "The Beggar's Opera" at Hammerstein was given on November 2nd. The theatre was packed from stalls to gallery when Mr. Gay's little work, achieved that remarkable record—a run period, too, that has witnessed many vicissitudes in theatrical enterprise.



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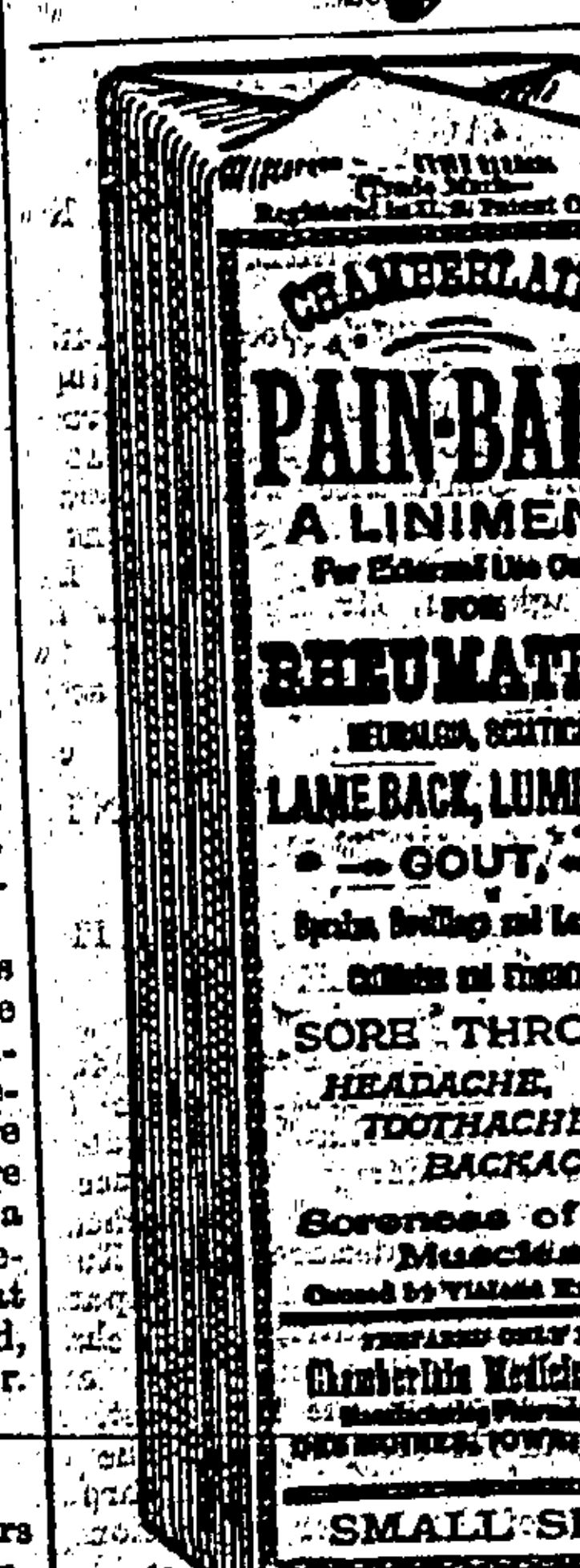
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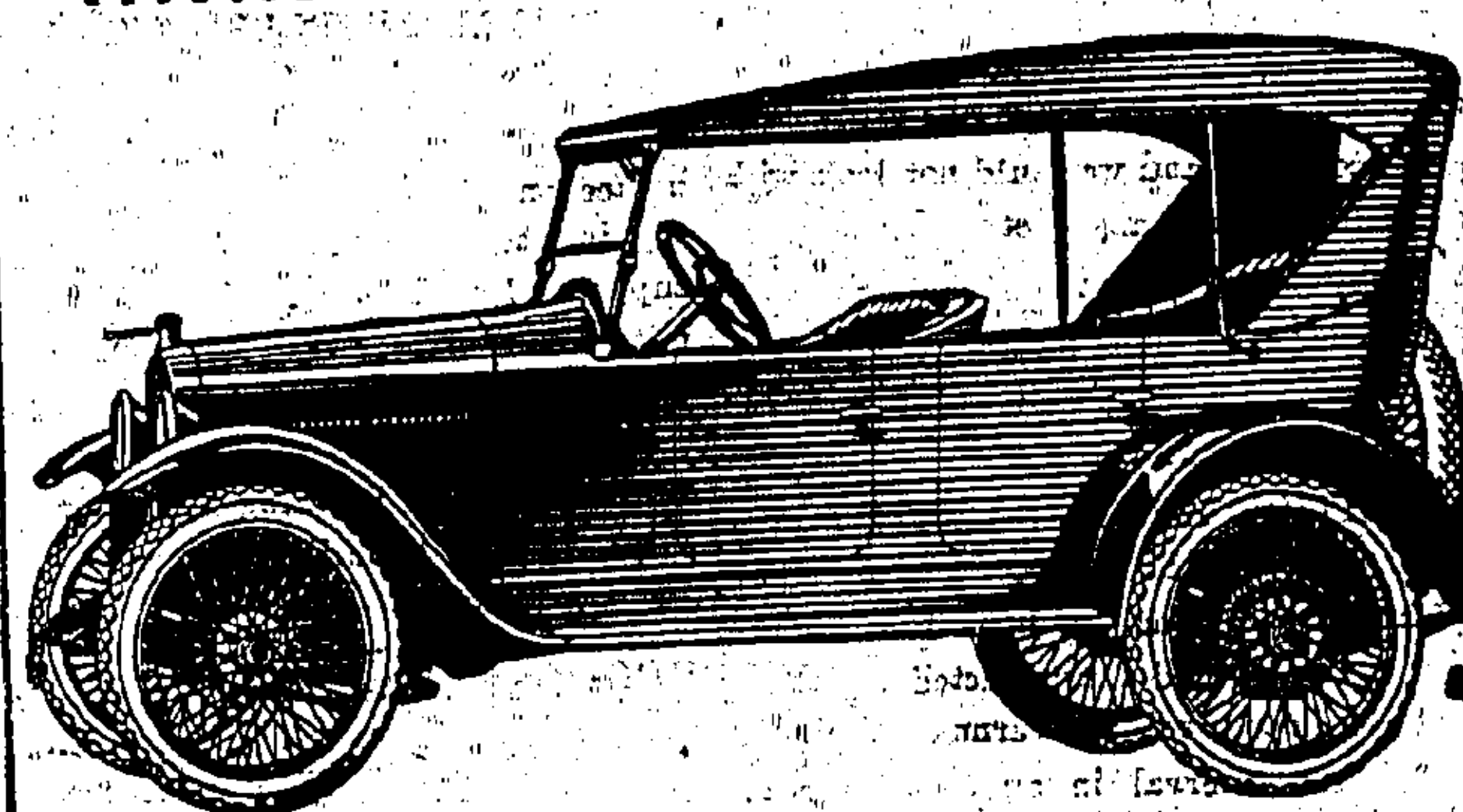
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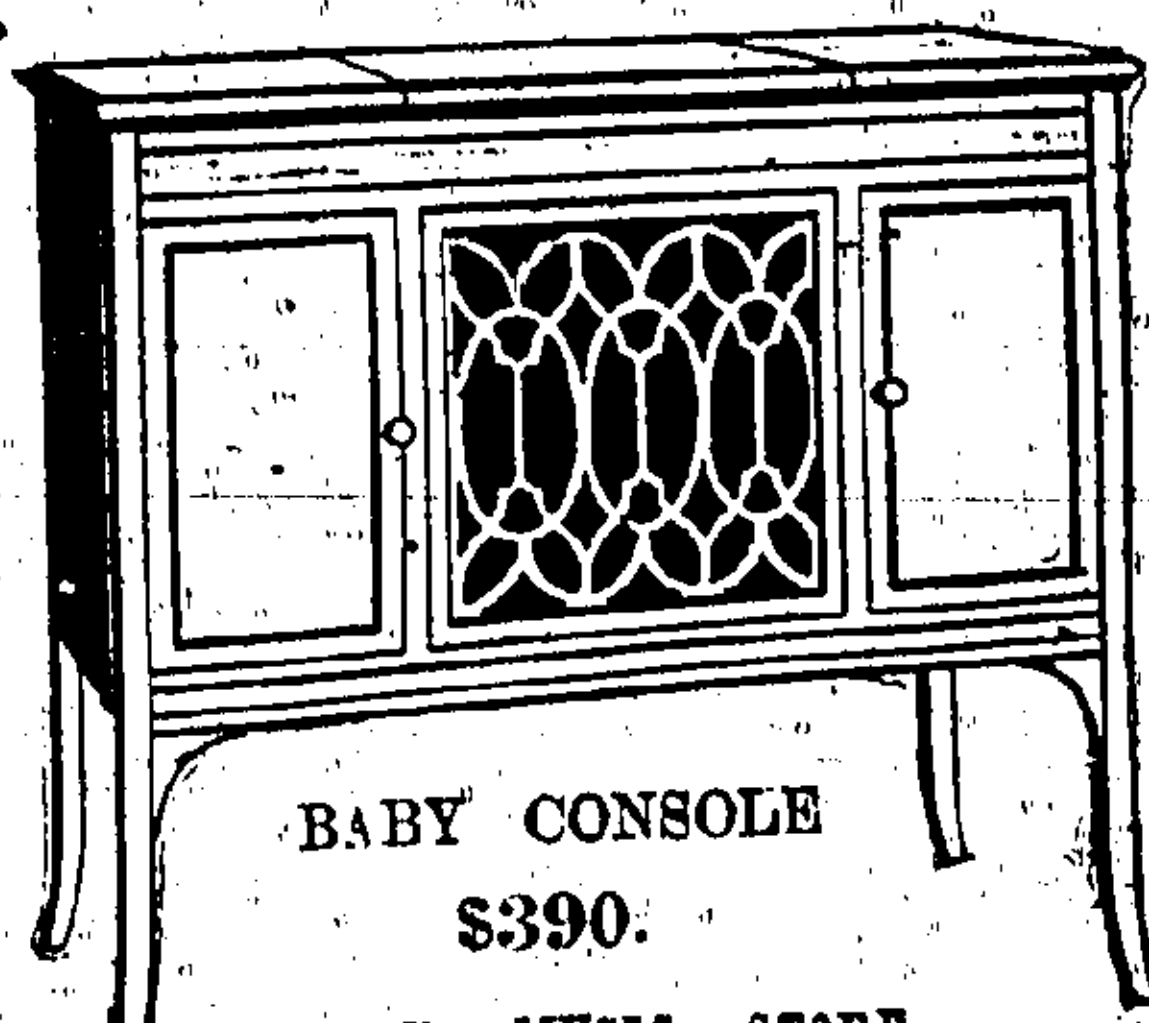
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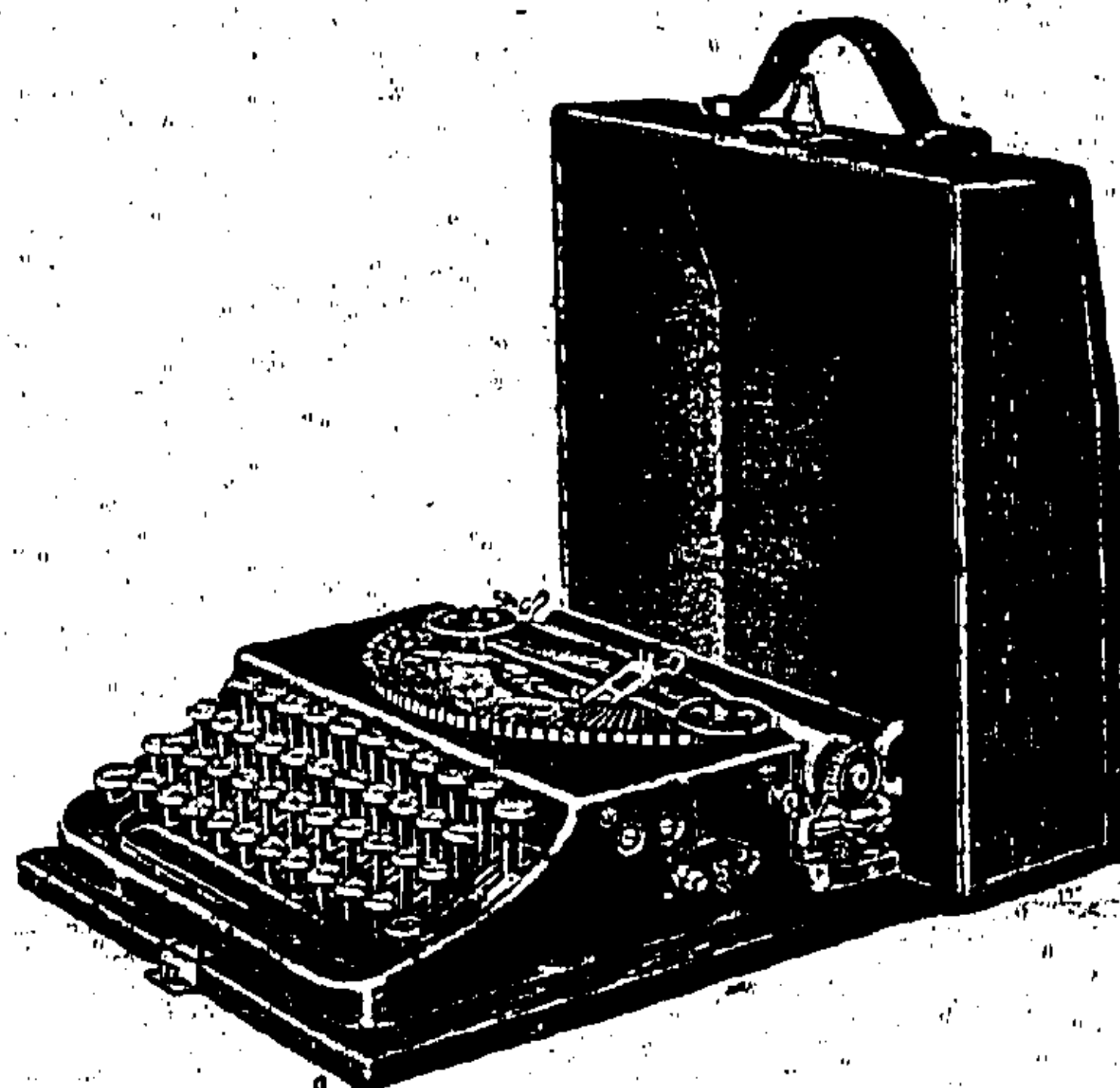
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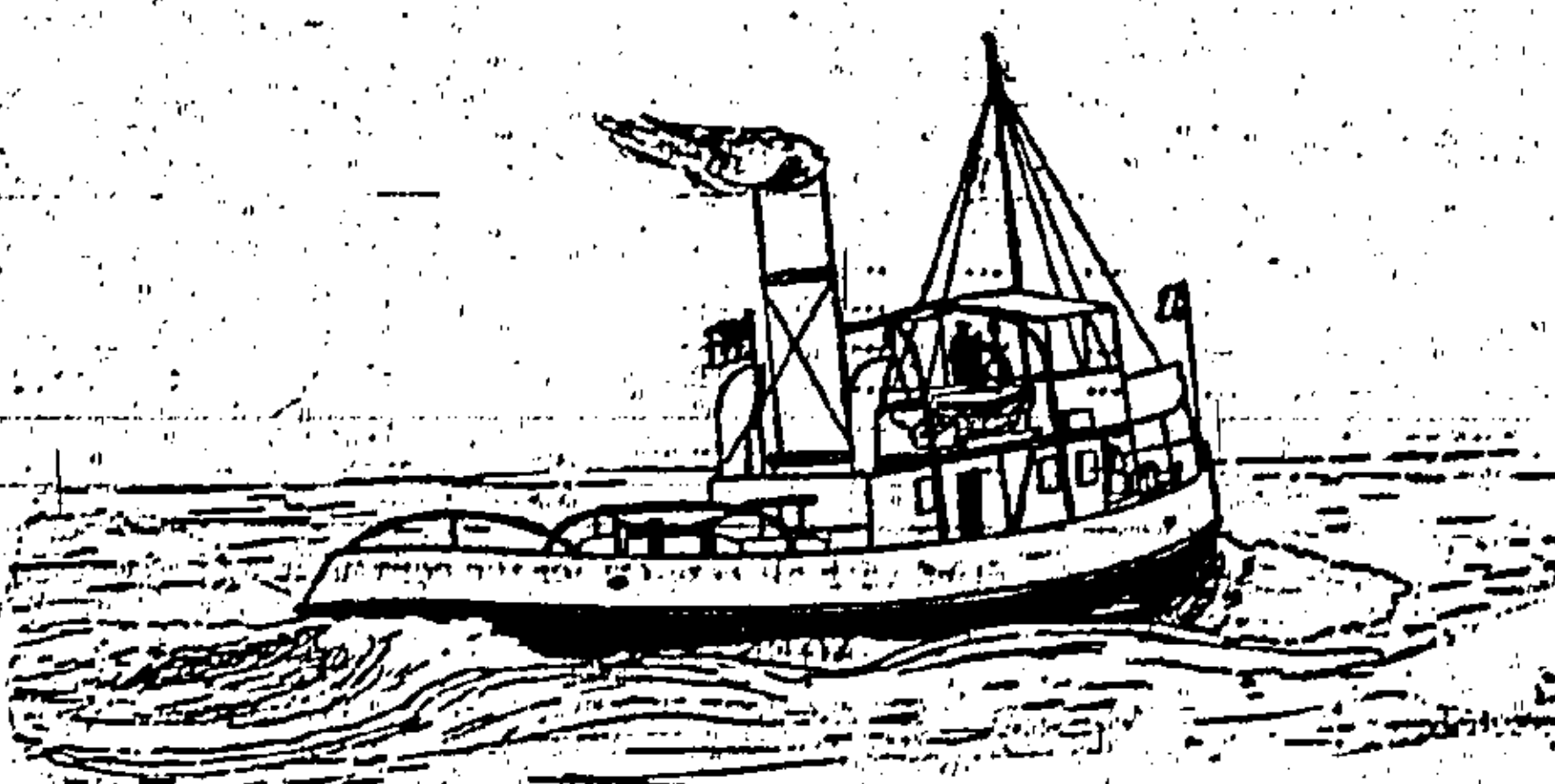
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A NAVAL COURT-MARTIAL.

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"Found Guilty by Court-Martial at Portsmouth of negligently, or by default, stranding the cruiser *Edgworth* off Labrador. Commander Leslie Charles Bott, R.N., was dismissed his ship and severely reprimanded."

The above announcement reveals a double tragedy, for it tells of the loss of a gallant ship and the ruin of a young naval officer's career.

The Court-martial was held at Portsmouth in the famous old *Victory*, and in one of her cabins could have been seen a number of senior officers assembled there by order of the President of the Court.

A post captain, himself a specialist in navigation and well known throughout the Navy for his expert knowledge, was appointed as the Prosecutor.

Another officer, also a specialist, took the role of what is known as "Prisoner's Friend."

His duties were to help and advise, with his expert knowledge, the prisoner in his defence.

Court-martials are still carried out with rigid and solemn ceremony, which befits the gravity of the circumstances of their constitution.

On the night before the trial an officer calls upon the prospective prisoner to deliver up his sword, and on the assembly of the court on the following morning this sword may be seen, laid crossways, on the table immediately in front of the President.

At 8 a.m. on the following morning a gun is fired as a signal, from the ship on which the court is to assemble.

This is an old custom, and is known throughout the service as "the one gun salute."

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The Prosecutor presents his case and calls his witnesses; the prisoner, together with his "Friend," presents his witnesses for the defence.

The final scene is dramatic. The prisoner withdraws from the cabin while the verdict is being considered. On being recalled, the prisoner knows before one word has been spoken whether the verdict is guilty or not guilty.

The position of the prisoner's sword, which up till now has been lying crossways in front of the President, has been altered.

If the prisoner has been found guilty, it has been placed so that as he enters he finds the point of the sword lying towards him; if not guilty, with the hilt towards him.

In practice, however, there is generally very little doubt as to the verdict.

A ship has been stranded and lost, and the blame must almost inevitably fall on the navigating officer, and so it has been in the case quoted at the head of this article.

What of the officer himself? He may have been over-confident of the position of the ship. He may have made some slight error in calculation. He may have been over-tired and relaxed for a moment the intense concentration that is necessary for perfect navigation.

Whatever the cause, his future career is ruined. The sentence of the court is that he shall be "dismissed his ship."

It is really a technical term which means that he is to be placed on half-pay.

The second part of the sentence is that he should be "severely reprimanded."

This latter is of little consequence. He has lost a ship, and under normal conditions he cannot reasonably hope for any good appointments in the future.

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Commander Bott will take his misfortune in the way naval officers do take such things. Perhaps the rest of us, while recognising that he may have made some technical mistake, will be proud to realise that there are such men willing to take such responsibilities, not for personal gain, but in order to ensure the safety of England and the glorious traditions of his Majesty's Navy.

CUNARDER A FLOATING AVIARY.

A remarkable incident occurred during the voyage of the Cunard liner *Scythia*, which arrived at Liverpool on November 4th from New York. When some 400 miles out from the American shore, with a strong easterly wind blowing, a flock of birds numbering several thousands alighted on the ship's deck. It is presumed that they had been blown out to sea during migration from North to South America. The species included wild canaries, redbreasts, linnets, thrushes, sand pipers, juncos, three owls, and carrier pigeons. One owl was of a particularly ferocious type, with a cat-like face and two horns. The owls and pigeons were captured, but a number of the smaller birds died from exhaustion. The birds were quite at home in the ship's garden lounges, with their growing trees and shrubs. Many of the birds were still flying about the vessel's deck on arrival at Liverpool. They had become particularly tame, feeding from passengers' hands. Old sea travellers state that they have not known birds in such numbers to alight on one ship. Their numbers were so great that they were even flying about in the engine-room.

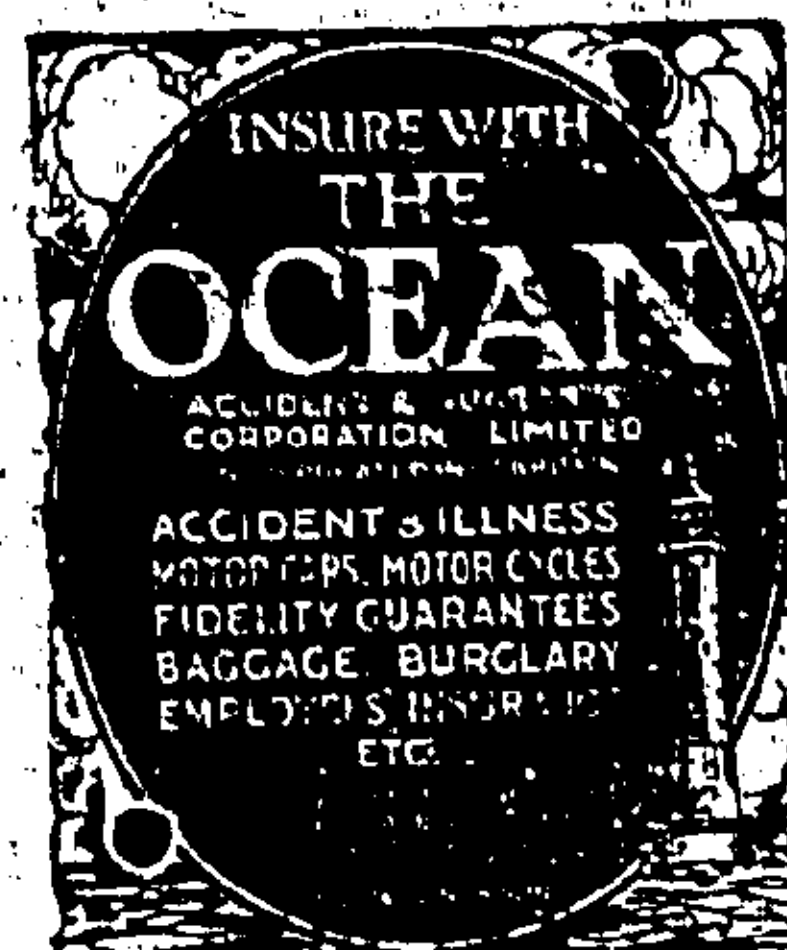
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 December 15th.
Anshan Maru, Japanese str., from Canton.
Banyu Maru, Japanese str., 802 tons, Capt. K. Tokahara, from Keelung, with coal.—M.B.K.
Chung King, British str., 1,470 tons, Capt. C. W. Falk, from Swatow, with a general cargo.—J.M. & Co.
Chung King, British str., 1,311 tons, Capt. J. Legge, from Shanghai, with a general cargo.—B. & S.
Chunshing, British str., 1,405 tons, Capt. W. Williams, from Bangkok, with a general cargo.—J.M. & Co.
Empress of Australia, British str., 21,800 tons, Capt. S. Robinson, from Vancouver, with a general cargo.—Canadian Pacific S.S. Ltd.
Ermland, German str., 3,806 tons, Capt. H. Eckhorn, from Shanghai, with a general cargo.—Arnhold Bros.
Gifu Maru, Japanese str., 1,753 tons, Capt. S. Yamamoto, from Waka-matsu, with coal.—M.S.K.
Hakunin, British str., 641 tons, Capt. C. E. Page, from Hoibow, with a general cargo.—Po Shun S.S. Co.
Kyongshing, British str., 1,573 tons, Capt. A. J. Scott, from Bangkok, with a general cargo.—B. & S.
Malaya, Danish str., 6,327 tons, Capt. N. G. Kruse, from Shanghai, with a general cargo.—John Manners & Co.
Mingyang, British str., 660 tons, Capt. D. W. Ritchie, from Haiphong, with a general cargo.—J.M. & Co.
Nam Wah, American str., 447 tons, Capt. M. Heimbred, from Pakhoi, with a general cargo.—Chung King & Co.
Sungshan Maru, Japanese str., from Canton.
Sunning, British str., from Canton.
Tachin, Chinese str., from Canton.
Torilla, British str., 3,180 tons, from Japan, with a general cargo.—MacKinnon, Mackenzie & Co.
Wingyang, British str., from Canton.

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December 14th.
Indaghirka, for Swatow.
Tai Sze Ma, for K. C. Wan.
 December 15th.
Asahi Maru, for Kongsun.
Chung King, for K. C. Wan.
Ermland, for Cebu.
Gorjistan, for Swatow.
Hanching, for Swatow.
Huachow, for Hoibow.
Hual Wai, for Chinwangtao.
Mausang, for Sandakan.
Sanka Maru, for Hongay.
Sungshan Maru, for Swatow.
Sunning, for Shanghai.
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Empress of Australia, due Dec. 22nd.
Moji Maru (N.Y.K.), due Dec. 28th.
Ringchow (Blue Funnel), due Dec. 23rd.
President Lincoln (P.M.), due Dec. 19th.
Tallhybuis (Blue Funnel), due to-day.
Tango Maru (N.Y.K.), due Dec. 18th.
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SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The a.s. *Ruth Kayer* (Rickmers Line) left Sabang on December 14th, and is expected to arrive here from Hamburg and Antwerp on or about December 28th. The R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* left Nagasaki yesterday, at 5 p.m., and is due at Shanghai to-day, at 9 p.m. The P. & O. Co.'s a.s. *Sardina* left Singapore for this port on December 15th, at 8 a.m., with the outward English mails, and is due here on December 20th, at about 4 p.m. The E. & A. a.s. *St. Albans* sailed from Sydney on December 14th, and is due here with the Australian mail on January 6th.

CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong.—17th December, 1922, 3rd Sunday in Advent. Holy Communion (8:00 a.m.); Children's Service (10 a.m.); Hymns, 540, 569, 573; Matins (11 a.m.); Responses, Ferial; Venite, O coeli (Christmas Day); Psalms, 75; Credo; Te Deum, Havergal, 11m; Havergal (7th day); Benedicite, Bennett (3rd evening); Anthem "Lift up your eyes" Sullivan; Hymn, 3. Palm 75, verses 5, 6, 11, 12 in unison.
 Hymn 53 verses 1, 4 in unison.
 Holy Communion (12 noon); Confirmation Service (4 p.m.); Responses, Ferial; Psalms, 74; Woodward; Magnificat, Smart; Nunc Dimittis, Felton; Hymns, 167, 207, 211.
 N.B.—Psalms 74, verses 1, 3, 6, 7, 8, 11 in unison.
 Hymn 271 verses 1, 3, 5 in unison.
 Hymn 271 verses 1, 3, 5 in unison. (115)

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